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Beaux Arts Trio Will Perform Final Concerts in Current Series on March 1-2

Over a period of four weeks in February and March, the Beaux Arts Trio has performed four pairs of concerts under the auspices of the Library's William and Adeline Croft Fund. The trio has performed regularly as resident artists at the Library since 1982, when the Croft Fund was inaugurated.

On March 1 and 2, the trio will perform Haydn's Trio in D minor, H.XV:23, Beethoven's Trio in D major, Op. 70, No. 1 ("Ghost"), and Schubert's Trio in E-flat major, Op. 100.

Hailed by critics, audiences, and fellow musicians, the members of the Beaux Arts Trio—violinist Isidore Cohen, cellist Bernard Greenhouse, and pianist Menahem Pressler—have been performing together for 28 years, since their public debut at the Berkshire Festival in Tanglewood. Their recordings, which include the completed piano trios of Beethoven, Brahms, Dvořák, Haydn, and Mozart, have won the Grand Prix du Disque, the Deutscher Schallplattenpreis, the Union de la Presse Belge, and the Gramophone Record of the Year award.

Adeline Croft, a noted pianist and teacher, has been a regular and enthusiastic member of the audience for chamber music at the Library for many years, as was her husband until his death. The fund bearing their names will serve to enhance the chamber music series in the Coolidge Auditorium, to enlarge the audience for chamber music through broadcasting and recording, and to enrich the Library's collections of musical rarities.

Tickets for the concerts on March 1-2 will be distributed at the Washington Performing Arts box office at 1330 G St. N.W. (Jordon-Kitt's), beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, February 27. Two tickets will be distributed to an individual, with a 25-cent service charge

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on each ticket. Phone orders may be placed by calling 393-4463. Mail orders are not accepted.

The concert on Friday evening will be broadcast live over radio station WETA-FM. It will be made available to stations in other cities by Eastern Public Radio, under the auspices of the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

Folklife Center Holds Briefing On New Jersey Pinelands Project

On February 8, staff members of the Library's American Folklife Center conducted a briefing on the status of the Pinelands Folklife Project for representatives of the New Jersey congressional delegation, members of the center's Board of Trustees, and Library staff. Folklife Center staff members and fieldworkers made both oral and visual presentations on the project and answered questions from the audience.

Center director Alan Jabbour opened the discussion with a description of the Pinelands National Reserve, created by an act of Congress in 1978, which made southern New Jersey the testing ground for a unique category of national landscape. Unlike national parks and forests, the national reserve is partly managed by those who live there and who will continue to live on the land and use its resources—both cultural and natural.

The Pinelands Folklife Project, Dr. Jabbour continued, was designed to emphasize living cultural resources and to document such traditional activities as folk architecture and landscaping, foodways, community social life, and folk music. As an interface to the roles played in the region by the Pinelands Commission and others in land management and development and cultural and natural preservation, the field survey's assessment of the living cultural resources will help to provide a balanced picture of the interplay of human and natural forces in the Pinelands.

Charles DeStefano of Pleasantville loads his boat with clams at Sandy Hook Inlet. The clams will reside in his clam lot near Tuckerton for 30 days, which will purify them before they are sold. Photograph by Joseph Czarnecki for the American Folklife Center's Pinelands Folklife Project.

The first phase of the project, directed by center staff member Mary Hufford, was a two-month survey of the region that was concluded last November. Susan Samuelson, a 1983 doctoral graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Department of Folklore and Folklife, was the field coordinator, working with a team of six professional fieldworkers, the project photographer, and several project associates. Dr. Samuelson described the organization of the project, including the division of the Pinelands into regions for ease in conducting

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Clifford Frazee of Forked River stands on the corduroy road he built to ease his job of removing Atlantic White Cedar from his tree farm near Brookville. Photograph by Joseph Czarnecki for the Pinelands Folklife Project.

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Program, Discussion Mark Publication of *U.S. Books Abroad*

A new national coalition for strengthening American book activities abroad, the principal recommendation in *U.S. Books Abroad: Neglected Ambassadors,* by Curtis G. Benjamin, was one of the topics discussed on January 26 at a press briefing announcing this new Library publication. Sponsored by the Center for the Book, the Benjamin Report culminates a two-year project that has involved many publishers, government officials, and librarians (see the LC *Information Bulletin,* February 6, pp. 29–30, and June 6, 1983, pp. 193–6). At the press briefing, Leslie Lenkowsky, the new deputy director of the U.S. Information Agency, announced that U.S.I.A. had embarked "on a major program to reinvigorate—after much too long a period of neglect—our book and library programs." Much of the effort is reflected in the 1984 U.S.I.A. budget, including a 10 percent increase for the book program, an additional $2.5 million "for library enhancements, including increasing overseas book collections." U.S.I.A. also plans to open a new regional office in Barcelona and to add an additional American officer to the staff in Cairo to support the Arabic book program.

Leslie Lenkowsky

Other reactions on January 26 came from a panel consisting of Leo Albert, chair of Prentice-Hall International, whose gift to the Center for the Book made publication of the report possible; Paul E. Feffer of Feffer and Simons, Inc., chair of the International Division of the Association of American Publishers and chair of the U.S.I.A. Book and Library Advisory Committee; and Guy Brown, director of the U.S.I.A. Office of Cultural Centers and Resources. Mr. Albert explained that a small committee of American publishers will work towards establishing the nonprofit, privately supported coalition recommended by Curtis G. Benjamin. He noted, however, that the recommendation and the report itself were only "points of departure" for stimulating a new international outlook on the part of the entire U.S. publishing community. New cooperative endeavors among publishers, the Government, and others will be essential as the international publishing environment is transformed by global telecommunications networks and multinational electronic publishing. But even in the new environment, Mr. Albert concluded, the book "will remain a unique medium for transmitting ideas, fostering trade, and serving as ambassadors of American culture."

Paul Feffer, Guy Brown, and Leo Albert

Lewis Flacks, international copyright officer with the Library of Congress, and Datus Smith of The Asia Society, a member of the Center for the Book's National Advisory Board Executive Committee, were among those present for the briefing.

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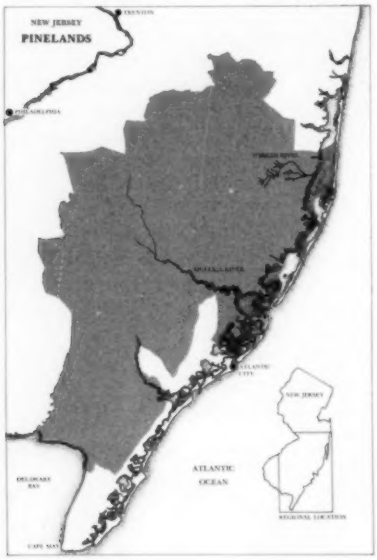
the survey, and the cooperation of the project's in-kind contributors, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Human Services, and State Council on the Arts. Other sponsors of the project were the Pinelands Commission, the New Jersey Historical Commission, and the U.S. National Park Service.

After two months of work, the survey team has created 206 hours of tape-recorded documentation, 14,240 color and black-and-white photographs, and 1,700 pages of field notes. Dr. Samuelson also described the use of microcomputers in the field, an aspect of



the project on which the center was assisted by the Library's Automated Systems Office. The Kaypro II microcomputer, with word processing capability, allowed the team to create the beginning of an automated archive of all their documentation in the field. It is believed that this is the first use of this technology in the field on a folkloristic field project.

With the assistance of some 120 slides, Mary Hufford then described the history of the region and briefly discussed some of the characteristics of the Pinelands that the team explored. The Pinelands is a million acres of sand base over a natural reserve of 17 trillion gallons of water, replenished by precipitation. Its landscape includes scrubby oaks, cedar stands, and short pine trees as well as cedar swamps.

Its natural resources and the occupational patterns of the people who live there reflect each other. Frequently clustered in lake communities, these people till cranberry bogs, harvest blueberries, cut cedar, build boats, hunt muskrats ("marsh rabbits") and foxes, gather pine cones and sphagnum moss, farm salt hay, and cultivate beds of oysters and clams. Fires—both wild and man-made—have been important to the region, and the fire companies function as social organizations. Other occupations include foraging for natural products that have both utilitarian and decorative purposes, making charcoal, glassblowing, and even the gathering of historical data by studying the region's ruins and restorations. Ms. Hufford also described some of the ethnic and family characteristics of the Pinelands and observed that much remains hidden in the region.

Folklife Center staff will continue work on the creation of an automated archive of the survey's documentation and the preparation of a summary report for the Pinelands Commission. Other products from the project that are under consideration include additional publications and a possible exhibit to be sponsored by the New Jersey Council on the Arts.

Library News Notes

The American Cowboy, an exhibition catalog published by the Library of Congress last March, has been chosen by the American Institute of Graphic Arts as one of the best designed books of 1983, an award of distinction in the book publishing industry. The catalog was designed by Derek Birdsall of Birdsall & Co. of London, England.

The American Cowboy is available for $18.59 (plus $2 postage and handling) in paperbound version from the Library of Congress (Information Office, Box A, Washington, D.C. 20540). A hardcover edition issued by Harper & Row last fall, which sells for $50, is also available from the Library and in bookstores.

The Geography and Map Division will not hold its **Cooperative Special Map Processing Project** this summer owing to an insufficient number of duplicate maps available for distribution. The division, however, expects to sponsor its 33rd project in the summer of 1985. A letter announcing the 1985 project will be sent to university and college libraries, geography departments, and public and research libraries in January 1985.

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STAFF NEWS

Elena Kitschik Retires

More than 60 friends, relatives, and coworkers gathered for a luncheon on December 14 to honor Elena Kitschik on the occasion of her retirement from the Library and to celebrate the completion of 20 years of Federal service.

Mrs. Kitschik (left) receives a signature book from Mrs. Hsia.

Mrs. Kitschik served as a senior searcher-filer editor in the Searching Unit, National Union Catalog Control Section, Catalog Management and Publication Division. She is a native of Novorossiysk, U.S.S.R. (located on the Black Sea), and a graduate of the Technical College of Railroad Transportation in Moscow. Following her graduation, Mrs. Kitschik was employed by the commercial railroad industry in Novorossiysk until 1942 when her family was relocated to Germany. In 1950, her family immigrated to the United States where she and her husband, Michael, operated a farm in Delaware until his death in 1962.

In 1963, Mrs. Kitschik moved to Washington, D.C., and joined the Library's Cyrillic Bibliographic Project. She transferred to the Searching Unit in the former Card Division (now Cataloging Distribution Service) in 1966. A year later, she transferred to the Catalog Maintenance and Catalog Publication Division (now the Catalog Management and Publication Division) and received several subsequent promotions, including her most recent promotion in May 1978.

Gloria H. Hsia, chief of the Catalog Management and Publication Division, expressed her appreciation to Mrs. Kitschik for the many years of valuable service to the Library. She also presented Mrs. Kitschik with a signature book signed by her friends at the Library and a certificate of appreciation from The Librarian of Congress. Several gifts from her coworkers were presented to Mrs. Kitschik by Rosalyn Rakoff, supervisor of the Searching Unit.

Robert E. Trumbule Dies
CRS Specialist in Environmental Policy

Robert E. Trumbule, specialist in environmental policy in the Environment and Natural Resources Policy Division, died of a heart attack on February 4. He was 47 years old.

Mr. Trumbule came to the Library from the Naval Intelligence Support Center in Suitland, Md., in March 1974 as an analyst in environmental policy. He became head of the Environmental Protection Section in 1975, senior analyst in environmental policy in 1979, head of the Fuels and Minerals Section in 1981, and specialist in environmental policy this past September.

Mr. Trumbule was an active participant in congressional deliberations during the development of energy and environmental legislation. For the past several years, he had been focusing on the issue of acid rain, on which topic he was the author of dozens of reports and memoranda. He was a member of the ad hoc Acid Rain Committee of Common Ground, an environmental mediation effort, and made presentations at a wide range of seminars and meetings sponsored by the Congress, the Executive Branch, and the private sector.

Mr. Trumbule earned a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Pennsylvania in 1958 and began his professional career as a physics teacher in the Prince George's County high school system. He joined Naval Intelligence in 1963.

A native of Hyattsville, Md., Mr. Trumbule was very active in Boy Scouts of America, both as a scoutmaster and as a leader in leadership development for both the scouts and for their adult leaders. His four sons all became Eagle Scouts.

Memorial services were held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Greenbelt, Md., on Wednesday, February 8. A Robert E. Trumbule Memorial Fund, Boy Scouts of America, National Area Council, Bethesda, Md., has been established.

Robert E. Trumbule

Mr. Trumbule's survivors include his wife, JoAnne; a daughter, Patricia; and sons Robert, John, Edward, and Stephen; his parents, Edward and Adele Trumbule, all of Hyattsville, Md.; brothers Gerald and David, of Denver, Colo.; and a sister, Mary Hoffman, of Hughesville, Md.

Adelaide T. Oberholtzer Dies
Inquiries Recorder in CRS for 46 Years

Adelaide Oberholtzer, a former inquiries recorder in the Office of the Director in the former Legislative Reference Service (now Congressional Research Service) until her retirement in 1965, died following a long illness on April 28, 1983. She was 82 years old.

Mrs. Oberholtzer, known affectionately as Mrs. O, began her career with the Library in 1920. She was a familiar telephone friend to literally thousands of staff members in Congressional offices through the years as they have called CRS to place requests for reports and information. Over the years, Mrs. Oberholtzer became the "anchor" of the inquiry recording group, participating extensively in the training and development of new inquiry recorders in CRS. Her effective treatment of callers from Congressional offices earned for her the encomium of "recorder-diplomat" among her colleagues within CRS.

Mrs. Oberholtzer is survived by her husband, Raymond, of Gaithersburg, Md., and several nieces and nephews.

Credit Union Plans Annual Meeting

The Library of Congress Federal Credit Union will hold its 49th annual meeting on Tuesday, March 27, at 3:30 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium. Reports will be given by the president, the treasurer, and the heads of the credit and supervisor committees, followed by the election of officers.

Three seats on the board of directors and one on the credit committee become vacant this year. Credit Union members wishing to run for any vacancy should submit a petition containing the signatures and Credit Union membership numbers of no fewer than 45 Credit Union members and a certificate stating that the candidate is agreeable to nomination and will serve if elected to office. The petition and certificate must be presented to the secretary in the Credit Union office (LM 634) before the close of business, 3 p.m., on Monday, March 12.

In order to prepare publicity for the election, all nominees by petition are requested to provide a biographical sketch and statement on their candidacy along with their petitions. Forms for petitions, certificates, and biographical information are available in the Credit Union Office.

LCPA Plans Program on Management

William L. Ginnodo will present "Straight Talk About Productivity Management" in the Mumford Room on March 5. Sponsored by the Library of Congress Professional Association (LCPA), the program will begin at 12:10 p.m. and will end promptly at 1:10 p.m.

Mr. Ginnodo is associate director of the American Productivity Management Association, a group that regularly brings its private and public sector members together to exchange ideas and experiences in the areas of productivity and quality of work life. He is also president of Pride Associates Consulting Firm and a former division chief of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. During the past three years, he has made general presentations in the Office of the Associate Librarian for Management and the Copyright Office. He is now working with the Copyright Office in support of their efforts to implement consultative management.

WRA Schedules Talent Show

The WRA is scheduling the 1984 talent show "Re-Search for the Stars," at noon on Tuesday, April 3, in the Coolidge Auditorium. Those wishing to

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Health Services, Special Police Create Emergency Response Team

The Emergency Medical Response Team (EMRT) is a coordinated group of persons whose task is helping to save the lives of employees and visitors who develop a life-threatening illness while at the Library of Congress. The EMRT is composed of a physician, a nurse, and a special police officer. These individuals have been trained and organized to assess, stabilize, and arrange transportation of the acutely ill person to the nearest hospital for definitive care.

Employees at the Library are instructed to call the Special Police Officer on ext. 77111 in the event of a medical emergency. This special number is located on a triangular sticker under the handset of every telephone. If your telephone lacks a sticker, please notify your supervisor. These stickers are available through the Central Services Division. The special police have the responsibility of notifying the Health Services Office of the exact location of the emergency and the nature of the problem. In the event that Health Services is first notified, that office will notify the Special Police with the pertinent information.

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The EMRT will respond rapidly to the site of the emergency. The physician is the team leader or, in his absence, the nurse has the authority. Rapid medical assessment is made. If the ill individual requires transportation to a hospital, the police officer will radio or telephone the Special Police Office to arrange a D.C. Fire Department ambulance. Should cardiopulmonary resuscitation be required, all members of the EMRT will participate as necessary. Other special police officers will assist by maintaining crowd control, providing resuscitation relief, and ensuring that the ambulance personnel are accurately directed and escorted to the emergency site.

Medical efforts of the EMRT are limited by the availability of sophisticated equipment and supplies and the distances between the Library's main buildings. Basic life support, heart rhythm monitoring, electrical conversion of ventricular fibrillation, and, where possible, essential drug therapy of a cardiac arrest can be offered. These efforts are maintained until the arrival of paramedics from the D.C. Fire Department and transportation is arranged.

"This special number is located on a triangular sticker under the handset of your telephone."

Each member of the EMRT is certified in basic life support as defined by the American Heart Association. The medical officer and each nurse who will use the defibrillator are currently certified in advanced cardiac life support.

The EMRT is tested for proficiency once every three months. The Health Services Office arranges and schedules two announced and two unannounced drills yearly to assess the effectiveness of the response.

In a simulated exercise, Dr. Raymon A. Noble, health services officer; Wanda Haskins, R.N.; Delia O'Hara, R.N.; and Paul Ramlogan, special police officer, demonstrate procedures for an emergency situation.

participate should contact Leo Anderson on ext. 77831 for scheduling an audition or for more information. Subject to an audition, any group or individual will be considered for the show. WRA president Reba Burruss will award engraved plaques to the three best performances.

Staff Activities

John Y. Cole, executive director of the Center for the Book, is a contributor to *Aliteracy: People Who Can Read But Won't* (1984), published by the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, 1150 17th St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Dr. Cole's essay, "Books in an Electronic Age," emphasizes the reading promotion projects of the Center for the Book.

Georgette Dorn, specialist in Hispanic culture, commented on three papers at a panel on "The United States and the Caribbean in the Twentieth Century" at the 1983 annual meeting of the American Historical Association held on December 29, in San Francisco, Calif. The panel was chaired by Franklin W. Knight of Johns Hopkins University and **Dolores Moyano Martin,** editor of the *Handbook of Latin American Studies* at the Library of Congress.

"Using British Legal Research Sources" was the topic of the address given by **Marlene C. McGuirl,** chief of the Library's American-British Law Division, to approximately 240 first-year law students at Catholic University School of Law on February 7. The two-hour lecture included a description of the British legal system including an overview of British courts and their jurisdiction, as well as the British Parliamentary system and enactment of legislation. Primary sources and search tools were explained in detail. The videotaped presentation will be used for future law school classes.

Ivan Sipkov, chief of the European Law Division, is the author of an article entitled "United States Research of the Law of the Communist-Ruled States of Europe" in the summer 1983 issue of *Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law.* The article surveys research possibilities in the United States and includes lists of key research institutes, important law journals, and a selected bibliography.

Carol E. Smalls, audiovisual cataloger in the Copyright Cataloging Division, was elected secretary/treasurer of the District of Columbia/Maryland/Virginia Chapter of Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS/NA). This local chapter consists of approximately 100 librarians, curators, archivists, and art and architectural historians who share common interests in collecting, processing, and preserving visual arts materials.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Susan Andrews, research analyst, GS-5, FRD, 30294; Louise Bacharach, name authority verifier trainee, GS-6, MARC Ed, 30779; Janet Brown, preliminary cataloger, GS-5, Desc Cat, 30808; Linda Geisler, cataloger, GS-9, Ser Rec, 30766; Mandy McGowan, preliminary cataloger, GS-5, Desc Cat, 30782; Jeffrey Myers-Hayer, cataloger, GS-9, Ser Rec, 30766; Nancy Ognanovich, senior editor, GS-9, LL Hisp, 30793; James Reuter, specialist in social legislation, GS-15, CRS EPW, 30570; Eng Seng Tan, preliminary cataloger, GS-5, Desc Cat, 30783; Susan Tang, preliminary cataloger, GS-5, Desc Cat, 30785; Shizuko Watson, preliminary cataloger, GS-5, Share Cat, 30788.

Temporary Appointments: Rachael Faulkner, reference clerk, GS-3, CRS AIS, NP; Tony Goodman, computer programmer trainee, GS-5, ASO, NP; Thomas Kephart, research assistant, GS-7, CRS Gov, NP; Willie Swain, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, G114B.

Reappointment: Margaret Wagner, writer-editor, GS-7, Publ, 30729.

Temporary Reappointment: Karen Garlick, conservator (paper), GS-7, Preserv, 30923.

Promotions: Daphne Bigger, to assistant division secretary, GS-6, CRS Gov, 30840; Matthew Maccoby, CRS S, to analyst in national defense, GS-7, CRS F, 30825; Charlotte Ou, to librarian, GS-9, E&G, 30811; Suzanne Salgado, to secretary (typing), GS-7, CS, 30909; Linda Smith, CRS EPW, to secretary (typing), GS-7, Pers R&P, 30617; Ross Taylor, to library assistant, GS-7, Res, 30809; Takako Whitwood, Cop Acq & Proc, to preliminary cataloger, GS-5, Share Cat, 30787.

Transfer: Loretta Allen, CS, to secretary to the assistant chief, GS-5, E&G, 30897.

Resignations: Monica Billings, CDS; Chip Greenwood, Col Mgmt, Albert Kapikian, Col Mgmt; Virginia Sorkin, ASO; Benjamin Stevens, Col Mgmt; Feiga Zylberminc, Afr ME.

Cultural Heritage in the United States. Washington, D.C., 1983. (viii, 123 p.) Coordinated by Ormond H. Loomis, this study by the Library of Congress American Folklife Center was carried out in cooperation with the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior. (No. 10 in the series, Publications of the American Folklife Center) For sale for $4.50 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 (Stock No. 030-000-00148-6).

U.S. Books Abroad: Neglected Ambassadors. ISBN 0-8444-0442-X. Washington, D.C., 1984. (vii, 95 p.) Sponsored by the Center for the Book, this publication was prepared by Curtis G. Benjamin. Single copies are available free upon request from the Library of Congress, Central Services Division, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Who Knows?—Selected Information Resources on Inventions and Product Development. (SL 83-6) September 1983 (rev. December 1983). (20 p.) Compiled by John A. Feulner of the National Referral Center and Doris Mohrherr, a visiting graduate student in library and information science from the University of Konstanz, West Germany, this is a descriptive listing that gives the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and other particulars about 38 organizations that are willing to answer questions or provide information on the title topic. Among the particulars given for each organization are its areas of interest, holdings or data files, publications, and information capabilities and services. There is an organization names index. Copies may be obtained free on request from the Library of Congress, National Referral Center, Washington, D.C. 20540, provided that requesters enclose a self-addressed mailing label.

Who Knows?—Selected Information Resources on Vocational Education and Guidance. (SL 83-3) September 1983 (rev. December 1983). (48 p.) Compiled by John A. Feulner, this is a descriptive listing that gives the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and other particulars about 83 organizations that are willing to answer questions or provide information on the title topic. Among the particulars given for each organization are its areas of interest, holdings or data files, publications, and information capabilities and services. There is an organizational names index. Copies may be obtained free on request from the National Referral Center provided that requesters enclose a self-addressed mailing label.

Ongoing Publications

Braille Book Review. ISSN 0006-873X. Vol. 52, No. 6. November-December 1983. Vol. 53, No. 1. January-February 1984. This bimonthly annotated listing of books added to the Library of Congress national braille collection also reports on free library services for blind and visually handicapped readers, announces books on loan from independent agencies, and lists popular magazines produced in braille. Free on request from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Magazines 1983. ISSN 0161-2689. 1983. This descriptive listing of selected periodicals available in special media to blind and physically handicapped individuals is divided into three categories of large-print, disc, and braille editions. Free on request from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

The Musical Mainstream. ISSN 0364-7501. Vol. 8, No. 1. January-February 1984. This bimonthly magazine contains original articles, reprints from national music periodicals, and a list of additions to music collections of interest to blind and physically handicapped musicians. Free on request from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

Name Authorities. (Cumulative microform ed.) ISSN 0195-9093. March 1983. Subscriptions to the 1983 cumulative quarterlies in 48X microfiche are available for $170 from the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541.

National Union Catalog: Audiovisual Materials. (Microfiche) ISSN 0734-7669. December 1983. Published on diazo negative microfiche using a reduction ratio of 48X, *Audiovisual Materials* features a full record register and separate cumulative indexes: name, title, subject, and series publication, issued on a quarterly basis. For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $23 for the 1983 subscription year.

National Union Catalog: U.S. Books. (Microfiche ed.) ISSN 0734-7642. September 1983. October 1983. Published on diazo negative microfiche at a reduction ratio of 48X. This publication features a full record register and four separate cumulative indexes: name, title, subject, and series, issued monthly. *U.S. Books* contains bibliographic records for U.S. imprints in all languages verified and reverified after December 31, 1982. For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $195 for the 1983 subscription year.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Held by Libraries in the United States and Canada. ISSN 0028-6680. August 1983. (327 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $325 for the 1983 subscription year.

Newspapers in Microform. ISSN 0097-9627. 1982. (202 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $35 a copy for the 1982 annual.

Talking Book Topics. ISSN 0039-9183. Vol. 50, No. 1. January-February 1984. This bimonthly annotated listing of books added to the Library of Congress national talking-book collection includes news about free library services for blind and physically handicapped readers and lists popular magazines recorded on cassettes and discs. Free on request from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

Update. ISSN 0160-9203. Vol. 7, No. 2. January-March 1984. This quarterly newsletter contains information for and about volunteer programs and individual volunteers who produce recorded and braille material and maintain equipment used by talking-book readers. Free on request from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

A Summary Report of the October 24-25, 1983, Meeting of the Network Advisory Committee

At the end of an intensive, two-day program on October 24-25 on the subject of "Telecommunications Systems—Industry Structure, Evolution, and Degree of Regulation," the Network Advisory Committee concluded that immediate action was needed to convey to the Federal Communications Commission that if increases in access charges are necessary, they should be phased in over a period of years to allow libraries and other agencies with fixed budgets to absorb the increases. For the long term, the committee felt that the industry must be made aware of the importance of telecommunications in the activities of all segments of the library and information service communities (public/private, for-profit/not-for-profit) and their dependence on telecommunications to provide products and services and that the library and information service profession should develop alternative proposals to include with future legislation to meet its specific needs.

The program offered speakers representing several components of the telecommunications field, including regulatory agencies at the Federal and state levels and users of telecommunications. In addition, the Network Advisory Committee commissioned two background papers covering telecommunications technology developments and their impact on library and information services and recent developments affecting telecommunications policy. A third paper on an overview of telecommunications for OCLC, which had been prepared as an internal document of OCLC, was also included.

The first speaker, Ronald Diener, executive director of OHIONET, provided an overview of telecommunications technology developments, such as cost trends for data communications, new developments for transmitting data, the facilities used for transmitting data, competition in data transmission, and telecommunications equipment. Some of the critical points he mentioned were that (1) libraries must actively look for alternatives in obtaining telecommunications services since substantial increases in rates for private leased lines are likely to occur; (2) although new developments are increasing the capacity of and might make satellite transmission more efficient, with a corresponding decrease in rates, transmission of data by satellite in the library environment is still too risky, making a land-based switching system using fiber optics a better alternative; (3) one possibility for lowering costs is to move more processing from the host to the local system; and (4) rural locations will probably be affected adversely with the imminent changes in the telecommunications industry.

The next speaker, communications consultant Walter Bolter, supported many of these thoughts. In describing the development of current telecommunications policy, he noted that with the pending changes in the industry, factors such as the location of a facility (for example, the relationship of the facility to the new local access and transport areas, to serving offices, or to rate areas), the type of facility used (such as microwave, fiber optics, or satellite), and the level of

competition present will be critical in determining the costs of telecommunications services in the future. Mr. Bolter also summarized the differences between the Federal Communications Commission's proposed access charge plan and the bill in the U.S. House of Representatives (H.R. 4102), the latter including no access charges for residences but the former including approximately $1.9 billion for access charges for residences. The FCC plan would reduce AT&T contributions to the cost of local facilities, primarily by redistributing these costs to business and residential users.

Kenneth Levy, deputy chief of operations of the Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, provided some useful information about the operations of the FCC. He noted that the role of the FCC in reviewing new services or tariffs is to ensure that the services are not restrictive (for example, requiring the use of only one firm's equipment) and that the tariffs are reasonable. The commission essentially reacts to the filing of the carriers and has no authority to force the carriers to give preferential rates to particular groups, however worthy they may be. Mr. Levy also noted that libraries and other not-for-profit organizations often do not participate in FCC proceedings and that the commission is not always aware of the impact that certain actions in the area of telecommunications would have on these organizations.

Brian Lederer, people's counsel of the District of Columbia, characterized the situation as a policy confusion reflecting a series of conflicts between the basic concepts of a competitive marketplace and provision of a universal voice telephone service being served by a common physical system at a reasonable price. Mr. Lederer described the resolution proposed by the industry to be one that resolves these conflicts against the policy of a universal voice telephone service at a reasonable price. The effect of that proposal would raise the price of that service by four to five times by as soon as the end of 1984.

Mr. Lederer attributed several of these conflicts to the cost, service, and usage between a digital computer network and an analog voice network. For example, the same facility would be transmitting both digital data (a competitive service) and voice or analog data (a monopoly service), thus serving two different markets with conflicting needs. An important point mentioned by Mr. Lederer was the fact that the existing pricing and cost structure has been based on the analog or voice network, for which no cost causation analysis has been done, and that no such analyses have been performed to justify the increased rates.

As part of this program, certain member organizations of the Network Advisory Committee were requested to provide data on routing, cost, and service transactions for one leased telecommunications circuit. Joseph Ford, executive director of the CAPCON Library Network, compiled the results and reported on the data received from CAPCON (Washington, D.C.), the AMIGOS Bibliographic Council (Dallas, Tex.), the Minnesota Interlibrary Telecommunications Exchange (Minneapolis), and the Research Libraries Information Network (Stanford, Calif.). From the data received, he prepared two tables for each organization: the first showing the existing costs for the circuit and the second showing the estimated increases in cost projected for April 3 of this year. Mr. Ford emphasized that although the proposed tariff was filed by AT&T on October 3, 1983, a number of details associated with the proposed tariff, such as the exact relationship of the new local access and transport areas to serving offices and rate areas, are not known. Even with these caveats, he estimated that an average increase of at least 52 percent can be identified. (Further analysis has revealed that, nationwide, an average increase of 62 percent could be expected, and in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, an average increase of 80 percent.)

The next speaker, Larry Learn, director of the Office of Venture Analysis, OCLC, reiterated those caveats. In addition, he noted that the tariffs in individual states have not all been filed. OCLC's analysis has indicated that average increases of 60 to 62 percent in costs for telecommunications services may occur. Mr. Learn said that the impact on OCLC will be not only the increased cost of telecommunications services but also the need to deal with several entities to obtain telecommunications services instead of just one, thus placing more demands on OCLC staff, and the need to deal with increased demands for telecommunications support on the part of their members to provide local system links and links to other networks.

Betty Callaham, South Carolina state librarian, and Larry Hamilton, director of information technology planning, South Carolina Division of Information Resource Management, described the activities in progress in South Carolina to develop a statewide communications network. To set the framework for Mr. Hamilton's presentation, Ms. Callaham summarized the library and information service environment in which the network will operate. South Carolina is a relatively small state in terms of land area, population, and population centers, and the basic local government unit in the state is the county, of which there are 46. For library services, some of the counties have regional systems so that 39 county library systems exist in the state. The first priority for automation is to provide support for local library functions, and the State Library does not intend to develop an all-encompassing network connecting all libraries in the state. In addition to the existing external OCLC/SOLINET

(Southeastern Library Network) links, the State Library will use the statewide microwave network to meet the intrastate telecommunications needs of its libraries.

Mr. Hamilton described the development of a microwave-based, statewide, integrated communications network for voice, data, video, and radio. Following passage of legislation establishing a Consolidated Procurement Code in 1981, South Carolina developed a *State Plan on Technology* as its blueprint to bring state of the art technology into use to meet the managerial and economic challenges confronting the state. The state-owned microwave network essentially replaces the formerly leased communications lines and is expected to provide substantial savings to the state government. the computer resources of the network are being shared with the county government agencies and not-for-profit organizations.

The concluding speakers for this program represented some of the principal components of the telecommunications industry: AT&T Communications. MCI, and Tymnet. Robert Bacino, district manager, Professional, Business, and Other Services, and Howard Riley, national staff manager, Educational Services, of AT&T Communications; Robert Swezey, Jr., assistant treasurer, MCI; and Christopher Merrill, senior sales representative, Tymnet Federal Area, described their respective firm's services and the directions that they expect to take in the next few years.

During the discussion of the Network Advisory Committee convening as a committee of the whole, Carol Henderson, deputy director of the Washington office of the American Library Association, reported on a proposed coalition to monitor telecommunications developments affecting library and educational data transmission. (For additional information about the coalition, write to Mrs. Henderson c/o ALA Washington Office, Box 54, 110 Maryland Ave. N.E., Washington, D.C. 20002.) Initial response on the part of potential member organizations has been excellent, and the two organizations responsible for establishing the coalition, the American Library Association and the Association of Research Libraries, are proceeding with plans to establish the coalition officially. The Network Advisory Committee provided additional names for potential members and other suggestions for the coalition's charter statement.

For its plan of action, the Network Advisory Committee agreed to request that its member organizations and constituents write to the Federal Communications Commission immediately to ask for a delay in the increase of rates. This letter should include salient points justifying the delay, which will be provided by the ALA Washington Office. With additional data gathered to show the projected increases in telecommunications costs similar to those collected by the informal survey mentioned earlier, grassroots support is needed not only to justify phasing in increases in telecommunications costs but also to initiate legislative proposals to take care of long term needs.

The planning subcommittee for this program was chaired by Carol Henderson of the ALA Washington Office. Other members included Toni Carbo Bearman, National Commission on Libraries and Information Science; Sandra Paul, SKP Associates, representing the Association of American Publishers; James Riley, Federal Library Committee; and Henriette Avram, Library of Congress, ex officio. The complete minutes of the program session and the business meeting on October 23 are being prepared and will be distributed to members as soon as they are available.

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